

UF in Mérida, Mexico

Summer B

University of Florida Study Abroad

July - August, 2006



The Anthropology, Ecology, and Spanish departments at UF offer students an opportunity to earn credits at the *Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán*, one of the oldest universities in Mexico. Students in all disciplines are welcome. UF in Mérida includes a special program for bilingual/esol teachers from the state of Florida and for UF education majors. For the summer program, students will spend six weeks in residence with a host family. Yucatán is the core of the ancient Mayan civilization.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Home-stays with Mexican families
- Anthropology course taught by UF faculty on-site
- Spanish language classes at all levels
- Language and ecology field trips
- Education visits to bilingual schools and investigations of teaching and learning in Mexico
- Integration with Mexican and international students in university life, political activities, and social worlds of the Yucatán
- Semester and academic year exchange program available

SUMMER COURSE OFFERINGS

Courses - UF GPA & transfer credit - total = 9 credits

PCB 4044 : General Ecology (5 transfer credits)

WIS 4941 : Wildlife Ecology (5 transfer credits)

ANT 4956 : Anthropology of the Yucatán (5 UF credits)

ANT 4905 : Individual Work

SPN : Beginning, Intermediate or Advanced level of Spanish (3 transfer credits)

All classes are taught in English, except for language classes.

Eligibility: UF undergraduate students with GPA greater than 2.0 (2.5 if CLAS or Business student). Graduate students in Education, Latin American Studies and Anthropology are encouraged to participate. No language requirement.



Application Deadline:
March 1, 2006

2006 Summer Program fee: **\$4,500** *

* *approx.imate depending on final arrangements*

Fee includes: Tuition, lodging and daily meals with a host family, class excursions, orientation, cost of instruction, and MEDEX emergency assistance insurance.

Cost for round-trip airfare is additional.
(~ \$650-890)

Contact the UFIC for information about semester/academic year costs.

Contact Information:

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UF in Mérida

The Mérida program was established to provide students with an opportunity to take courses in Ecology, Anthropology, and Spanish during the summer session or for a semester or academic year program. The program encourages integration into Spanish life with daily interaction with Mexican families and Mexican university students.

The academic semester program is for advanced students fluent in Spanish. The program incorporates you into the academic life of the Autonomous University of the Yucatan. Classes are taken with Mexican students as well as international students from Japan, England, and other countries. The semester courses include classes in subjects such as Spanish-American literature, the history of Mexico and the Yucatán, Mayan archaeology, Maya language, and Mexican anthropology, along with a class in academic spoken Spanish.



Academic Credits

As this is a UF program, credits taken can satisfy major, minor, and university requirements with prior approval. UF GPA credit will be granted for courses taken with UF faculty. Transfer credit will be earned with courses taught by professors from the Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán.

Application deadline is March 1, 2006.

Applications considered on space-available basis, so please apply early.

Application forms are available online at :
www.ufic.ufl.edu/downloads/sas/UFStudentApplication.pdf

For more information on the web, see:
www.ufic.ufl.edu/sassponsored.html#mexico and through any of the contact persons listed on the front of this flyer.

Financial Aid

University of Florida students needing financial aid should apply through UF Student Financial Affairs (SFA). SFA provides an advisor for study abroad students. Katrice Crawford is in Criser Hall at 352-392-1275 x3321, e-mail: katrcieb@ufl.edu. Non-UF students needing financial aid must apply to their home institutions.

Scholarships

The deadline for application for summer scholarships administered by the UF International Center is **February 1, 2006**. Application forms available at the website: www.ufic.ufl.edu and at the International Center in 123 Grinter Hall.

Partial scholarships for UF students are available on a competitive basis through the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Honors program, as well as the International Center.

Housing

The program offers home-stays with families in Mérida for all students. Meals taken with the host family are included in the program cost.

FEES DUE UPON APPLICATION:

A \$250 deposit toward the total cost of the program is required at the time of application, of which \$50 is non-refundable. The remaining fees are due no later than 30 days prior to departure.

Students receiving financial aid may defer payment for up to 60 days after departure.

Not Included in the program fees:

Round-trip airfare, additional personal travel and personal expenses.